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## LUCAS IS IN A BUSY DAY CONTROL OF ROADS IN ISLAND POLITICS

### Smith Resolution to Give County Engineer Charge Lost.

The most important piece of business transacted at last night's session of the Board of Supervisors, was the turning down of G. W. Smith's resolution to place all engineering work of the road department under the control of the County Engineer.

Smith introduced this resolution a couple of weeks ago and met with spirited opposition from Chairman Lucas of the roads committee.

The matter went over a week and at the last meeting of the board, Smith made a statement explaining and defending his resolution, action on which was again deferred.

Last night the matter came to issue. Smith stated that in presenting the resolution he had the present and ultimate interests of the county at heart, and denied that the personal equation had entered into his calculations in any way whatever.

Lucas fought the resolution tooth and nail. He accused usurpation of the powers of the road department and ironically pointed out the possibility of the County Engineer an appointee of the board, dictating to the board, provided the resolution was adopted.

Moore stood with Smith and repudiated the idea of dictatorship.

On a vote the resolution went glimmering. Smith and Moore leading the forlorn hope and the county members negating the resolution, which died unwept, unhonored and unsung.

Present were: Chairman Smith, Supervisors Moore, Cox, Paele, Lucas, Archer, Stenographer Aea, Clerks Buf-fandeau and Kalaokalani, Sergeant-at-arms Hanalet, Captain Sam Johnson, County Attorney Douthitt, Criminologist Doyle, and members of the press.

The following appropriations were made:

Fire department, \$532.17.  
County Auditor, \$21.85.  
Road department, \$3191.19.  
Electric light department, \$738.32.  
Garbage department, \$372.13.  
Police and fire alarm system, \$47.65.  
County Treasurer, \$3.70.  
Keeper of parks, \$40.20.  
Ewa road district (commission), \$11.60.  
Honolulu road district (commission), \$11.75.  
Police department, \$888.35.  
Pali road, \$250.  
Waialua road district, \$273.90.

**THE PARK'S UPKEEP.**  
A bunch of bills under the account of "Kapiolani Park, materials and supplies" were held over for a week. The bills cover the last four months and there is a question if the park people had a right to run into debt against the county during the time when it was undetermined whether or not the county could appropriate money for the park's upkeep.

**MUST WORK ALONE.**  
On account of slack finances it was decided not to authorize the employment of an assistant to the County Engineer at present.

**BAND MAY PLAY.**  
It was recommended that an appropriation of \$150 a month be allowed the Concordia Band for concerts to be given twice a week under the direction of the band committee. The recommendation went through.

An opinion from the County Attorney was read to the effect that the county was legally entitled to none of the money collected in fines for breaches of Territorial ordinances but that any such money collected in fines for breaches of the County ordinances should and does belong to the county. Another communication from Mr. Douthitt explained why there was one necessary signature missing from the list of petitioners against Deputy Sheriff Chris J. Holt, three non-voters being on the list, thus bringing the total one below the required legal number.

Regular reports were read from H. A. Wilder, auto inspector and Chief Engineer Thurston, of the Fire Department.

The Police letter, accusing policeman

### Precinct Clubs Are to Select Their Officers Tonight.

This will be a busy day among the politicians, because all the Republican Precinct Clubs are to meet this evening and nominate officers, and an effort is being made to get the decent men to turn out and give the far babies a battle for the control of the clubs. Whether this effort will prove to be successful or not, remains to be seen. Heretofore, such efforts have not amounted to a great deal for the reason that, while decency might win once through being aroused to action, it has then become apathetic and permitted things to drop back into the old rut, whereas, the politics who make their living at it are busy all the time. And they do not take one defeat as final, either.

Aside from this effort to get the respectability of the community to take an interest in politics, there are some scores to settle among the politicians themselves, and it is expected that there will be a deep growling before these matters are adjusted. For instance, there is the war in the Seventh Precinct of the Fifth District, where Henry Vida has one club roll and Sol. Mahelona has another, made up at the instance of Chairman Hustace, of the County Committee.

Vida, who is a strict party disciplinarian for everybody but himself, has his red helmet on, and Mahelona has donned the yellow malo and sharpened his spear. The two will walk around each other on their toes, therefore, but are not expected to do much more than that because their meetings have been called at different places in the precinct and should not clash at all.

It is much harder to do battle with a fellow who goes on his own fighting ground while you stay on yours—and, as a general average, much safer, too.

**KUHIO COMES HOME.**

Matters are expected to open out in a large way with the return home of Delegate Kuhio today. Perhaps that is the reason for the reappearance of the rumor that Alex. Robertson would consent to let himself be put in the legislature as the possible leader of a forlorn hope there. The Republican managers have really begun to get a bit scared about the complexion of the next legislature. It is almost conceded that fusion will carry on Hawaii, and there is no safe betting that it will not carry on Maui.

Of course Kauai is safe enough for the party, but if Maui goes there is likewise reason to fear for Oahu—and that in the face of the fact that strong men like W. W. Harris and Frank Andrade and Fred Waterhouse are bitten with the prevalent desire to shake Territorial affairs and get down into the county muck. Wherefore, it may be that Mr. Robertson is being pressed to save the situation—to dominate the legislature if it is Republican, and to steer it in the way that it should go if it is not.

It should always be borne in mind, in this connection, that nobody has yet officially explained away that much-talked-about promise that Kuhio is said to have made to let Mr. Robertson run for Congress this time, if the chairman of the Territorial Committee would step out of the way. It is true that there have been unofficial denials of the passage of any promise, but mostly there have been loud assertions that promises counted for nothing in the face of the "demand of his people"—the inference being that a promise to a mere haole, even a kamaaina, was rather more to be honored in the breach, anyhow.

**ALMOST A PORTENT.**

It is a fact, that there will be no Hawaiian opposition to Kuhio this time. This has been admitted, so far as Hawaii is concerned, and the same admission has been made by eminent leaders among the natives on Oahu. These admissions being on the quiet

## DREYFUS WILL BE GIVEN THE RANK OF LIEUTENANT-COLONEL.

(Associated Press Cablegram.)

PARIS, July 13.—Dreyfus will be restored to the army with the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel.

The story of the disgrace of France in the wronging of this officer is one with which the whole world is familiar. The afternoon cables yesterday carried news of his final vindication, in the following dispatch from Paris:

"The Supreme Court has rendered a decision completely vindicating former Captain Dreyfus and holding that he is entitled to restoration to his rank in the French army."



FORBIDDEN PORTRAIT OF CAPT. DREYFUS.  
This portrait of Captain Dreyfus was made by the French authorities immediately after his degradation by the military authorities. Its circulation is forbidden in France.

## WANT LAND IN HAWAII WORK FOR GOOD ROADS

### Mainland Home-Seek- ers Are Beginning to Look This Way.

People on the mainland who want homes are beginning to look toward Hawaii. This has been demonstrated by the fact that a batch of letters was received by Secretary Atkinson in the last mail making inquiry as to whether there were lands for settlement under the Kohala ditch, the letters having been drawn by the reading in mainland newspapers of cabled accounts of the ditch opening.

These letters, which ask for various information, all want to know about lands, price and quality and productiveness and method of acquisition, and so have all been referred to Land Commissioner Pratt, who has prepared separate answers to them. As showing the manner of the inquiries being made, a couple of sample letters are presented herewith. The first of these, dated at College Place, Washington, U. S. A., is as follows:

Secretary Atkinson, Honolulu, Hawaiian Islands.  
Dear Sir: Will you give me information concerning the land which the Kohala ditch will irrigate. Will it be open for homesteads, the same as in the States, and how much can one man take? What about transportation? Will the rates be such that home-seekers with families could afford to go? What kind of soil? Is it volcanic ash? What is the climate? What will the land be worth per acre? What would be the cost of lumber? What can be produced? What wage is paid farm laborers? What season of the year would be best to go there, fall or spring? Would it pay to take household goods from here?"

**TYPICAL HOME SEEKER.**

This letter, the name of the writer of which is withheld by request, is the typical letter of a home-seeker wanting land, of whom there are thousands on the mainland of the United States. He is of the class that go into a new country, taking all chances, and from which eventually a real American population is built up—the class that works its own farms and lives upon the land.

A second letter, from a man who

## RUSSIA FEARS AN UPRISING AGAINST JEWS

(Associated Press Cablegrams.)

ST. PETERSBURG, July 13.—In anticipation of an anti-Jewish outbreak, the streets of this city are guarded by troops.

**DISORDERS IN THE PROVINCES.**

Increasing disorders, and many collisions with troops are reported from the provinces.

**JEWS FLEE FROM WARSAW.**

WARSAW, July 12.—Forty thousand Jews have fled from this city for New York within the last few days, out of fear of the threatened revolutionary outbreak.

**ADMIRAL CHOIKIN DEAD.**

SEBASTOPOL, July 13.—Admiral Choikin, who was shot by a sailor here on Wednesday, is dead.

**RUSSIAN CABINET WANTS TO QUIT.**

ST. PETERSBURG, July 12.—The cabinet has tendered its resignation to the Emperor who has as yet taken no action in the matter.

## YOUNG MITCHELL IS SHOT BY HIS OWN SISTER

(Associated Press Cablegrams.)

SEATTLE, July 13.—Young Mitchell, who was acquitted here on Tuesday on a charge of murdering Creffield, chief of the Holy Rollers, was shot and killed by his sister Esther last night.

The plea advanced for Mitchell on his trial was fear that Creffield would cause the ruin of his sister. The following dispatch from the last Coast files received here tells the story, briefly:

SEATTLE, July 2.—That the belief that his sister, Esther Mitchell, would be ruined by Creffield, leader of the "Holy Rollers," drove George Mitchell insane and caused him while in that condition to kill Creffield is the defense that the young Oregon farmer boy on trial for his life will offer, according to the opening statement made by Silas M. Shipley, one of the defendant's attorneys.

For two and a quarter hours the attorney outlined the evidence that the defense will offer. The fanatical acts of Creffield in his so-called religious camp were detailed at length. Nothing was omitted. Everything that could sway the emotions of the jurors in Mitchell's favor was brought out in the opening statement, as the defense fears that it will be precluded by the court from introducing much of it as evidence.

Esther Mitchell will be called to testify. It is expected that she will prove an unwilling witness for the defense, as she still mourns Creffield's death and declares her brother should be punished.

## SIX CHILDREN DROWN.

CEDAR RAPIDS, Iowa, July 13.—Eight children were playing on the bank of the Cedar river here, and one fell in and sank. In attempting to rescue their playmate, six of the children were drowned.

## WRIGHT RECEIVED BY EMPEROR.

TOKIO, July 13.—Luke Wright, American Ambassador, has been received by the Emperor.

## KILLED IN A CLOUDBURST.

EL PASO, Texas, July 13.—Seven persons were killed by a cloudburst in Chihuahau.

## CLERK SIMS DENIES ANY IMPUTATION OF SHORTAGE

"The publication in last night's Star is the result of a difference between the management of that paper and myself as to whether a bill for \$31.50 is due to that paper from an estate in which I was commissioner or not," said Wm. H. Sims, clerk in Judge Lindsay's Department of the Circuit Court, last night. "The paper sent me the bill, and a letter giving me until July 10th to settle it, both of which I found in the mail box at the court room on the afternoon of that day, after I had been stopped on the street and shown a carbon copy of the bill. This was the first intimation that I had had that the bill was still claimed to be due. I did not receive the bill, nor the letter because I had been on a vacation at a resort before leaving for the mainland. The court employs in that report."

"There is no shortage in any estate in my court and has never been. I have lived in this community twenty-seven years, and have children growing up here, and I do not propose to rest under any imputation of wrong doing. I am ready to pay all lawful claims against me."

From perfectly creditable sources, it was learned yesterday that Judge Lindsay had granted Sims a vacation before leaving for the mainland. The court employs in that report."